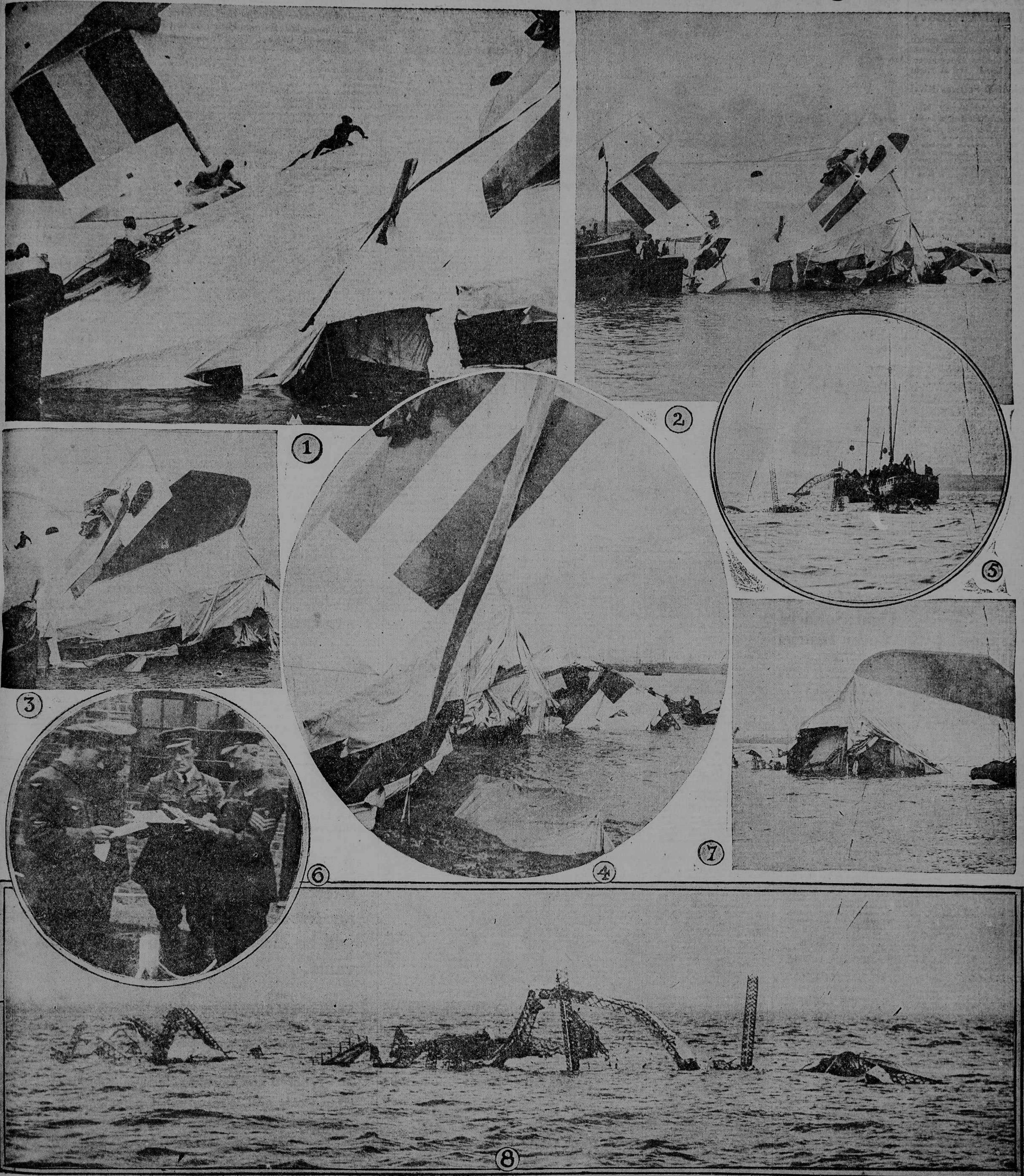


# First Photographs of the Wreck of the Giant Dirigible ZR-2



1—Rescue party cutting the canvas from the frame of the wrecked balloon in order to extricate the bodies of the victims. 2—Arrival of the first rescuers, immediately after the giant dirigible fell into the Humber River. 3—Rescue boat alongside the wreck just before it settled in the river. 4—Close view of the wreck, showing the tattered envelope and twisted beams. Small boats on the right contain rescuers. 5—Boat attempting to salvage the wreck. 6—Flight Sergeant Regan calling the roll of officers and crew on the R-38 after news of the disaster was received at Howden. 7—Portion of the wreck still high in the air, with the sinking structure trailing into the background. 8—Twisted beams stripped of the envelope after the wreck had settled into the river.

Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4 and 7 show views of the wreck immediately after it had fallen into the Humber River at Hull, England, on August 24.

The ZR-2 was built by the British government for the United States and was making a trial flight preparatory to flying across the Atlantic Ocean to America. Forty-three lives were lost, sixteen American, when the dirigible buckled in mid air, an explosion occurred and it fell into the river.

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